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1. Dr Fahrreddin Kerim Gokay, the Governor-Mayor of Istanbul, and Nazif Bolukbashi visited the Lockheed Aircraft plant on Wednesday, 6 May 53. Mr Bolukbashi served as interpreter for Dr Gokay. His Excellency, the Governor-Mayor, expressed great interest in Lockheed as an economic manufacturing unit and appeared to be an extremely intelligent man. Although he seemed to have very little technical knowledge of aircraft, he and his interpreter, Mr Bolukbashi, claimed to have traveled a great deal by air.
2. While at Lockheed, Dr Gokay expressed a firm belief that Turkey is prepared to defend itself against the USSR at any time and that half of its national budget is being allotted to military preparedness. He further stated that as Turkey is already giving everything within its means to the military for purposes of preparing for any emergency, their philosophy is that there is no point in worrying about an attack by the USSR.

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